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**LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR BAUER ATTENDS
UPSTATE SENIOR EXPO**

(Columbia) - Lieutenant Governor Andre Bauer, head of the state's Office on Aging, along with hundreds of upstate seniors, visited the inaugural Golden Corner Senior Expo today, which was held at Littlejohn Coliseum on the campus of Clemson University. Senior Solutions, Anderson County's senior advocacy group, organized the event that featured several dozen businesses and service providers geared to the senior community.

"I always appreciate the opportunity to interact with seniors here in the upstate," Bauer said. "Doug Wright and the folks at Senior Solutions have put on a terrific event here in Clemson, and even though I went to USC, they made me feel welcome up here at Littlejohn." Bauer added, "One of my top priorities since assuming control of the Office on Aging has been to put businesses and consumers together, and events like this one showcase that partnership. We must help seniors find reputable services early, so the care they need for years to come will be provided by someone they trust."

The Lieutenant Governor took time to speak with Expo visitors and vendors alike, thanking them for attending while also answering questions about his new role and what it means to our state's aging population. After his stop at the Expo, Mr. Bauer met with a group of Gerontology professors at Clemson, again to discuss his role with the Office on Aging, as well as vision for the office in the coming years. "Today's students will be tomorrow's care providers, and it's vitally important that all of us be on the same page when it comes to the needs and concerns of seniors, especially as that segment of the population continues to grow here in South Carolina."

The Lieutenant Governor's office assumed direction of the State Bureau of Senior Services in July, renaming it the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging. This move gives South Carolina seniors a prominent voice in government and allows for more accountability in the office.

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